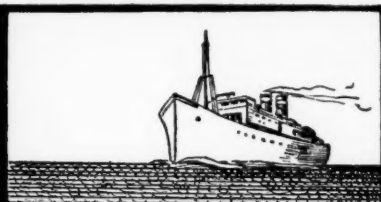


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## SEASON OPENER

... AND ...

# Birthday Number

With our last issue for October, to be dated October 29,  
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## TEN YEARS OLD

As a fitting celebration for this event, a special edition of this paper will be issued. A large number of extra sample copies will be mailed to a list of names that have been accumulated in the past several months. At the same time, we ask every reader of this paper to send us at once, addresses of any collector friends who might care to have a sample copy of this issue.

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in which to give winter business a real boost by presenting their offers to the large circle of readers of Linn's Weekly Stamp News and to the many new collectors who will receive sample copies of this edition.

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Will be a feature of this issue and while we expect to be able to allow space to all who apply for same, we reserve the right to refuse space to any applicant.

As has been our custom, transient advertising is strictly cash with copy. Regular advertisers on contract, who anticipate using larger space than usual will get better service by supplying copy several days earlier than usual and making reservation of space at once.

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**LINN'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS .. COLUMBUS, OHIO**

# Presidential Album Pages

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We realize that in preparing pages for a set of stamps such as this that we must be able to offer a set of pages that will meet with the approval of all classes of collectors so that after much study of the problem we have developed a set of pages in two sections. You may buy either section or both sections and have a complete album, the object of the two sections is to provide additional pages of the same style and design for those collectors who will want more than space for just a single set of the stamps.

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We know that you would want something beautiful and practical for your collection of these new stamps and we are therefore planning a set of pages that will appeal to every collector.

## Special Notice

these album pages. This will add immensely to the beauty and desirability of this set of pages.

We have just obtained a new set of authentic Government steel engraved portraits of all of the presidents. We shall therefore delay final completion of these pages until we are able to have an entirely new set of plates made from these new portraits for illustrating

Section I will consist of 34 pages, a page for every president including both Hoover and Roosevelt. Also a page for Franklin, Martha Washington and the White House. There will also be with this section a handsome title page for your album. This Section will be printed on heavy white album paper of the same quality as used in our Perpetual Album Pages and the pages will be finished in the same style as those pages, 11x8½ inches, punched with three holes to fit the standard three ring binder and round cornered.

Each page will bear the picture of the president with a brief Biography and other information of interest. These pages will be printed in red and black and will have sufficient room at the bottom to mount either a first day cover or both singles and blocks of the stamps, thus making a complete album.

Section II will be of the same size and style of page except that it will have a gray quadrille ground for mounting stamps, this will be surrounded by a red border line with boxed space at top in which will be printed the name of each president, a page for each, also Franklin, Martha Washington and the White House. This section by itself will be suitable for a collection of Presidential Stamps, but the object of this section is to provide additional pages that match with those of the first Section so that collectors who want to go farther than just enough stamps for their single page may have additional pages to add to their album and you can buy new sections of this second section at any time when you have a need to add more pages to enlarge your collection of presidential stamps.

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## The New Scott Catalogue

THE 1939 Edition of Scott's Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue made its appearance promptly on September 19. The new book includes 76 more pages than the previous edition and Kent B. Stiles of the *New York Times* is authority for the statement it lists 2,089 major and minor varieties not included in the 1938 edition. Of these, just a little over a thousand were issued in 1938. 59 countries issued a total of 554 various commemoratives and 40 issued 334 air mail stamps. As usual Latin-America held the lead in new issues, particularly air mails. The new volume is bound in orange-brown cloth and is priced as before at \$3.00 (\$3.50 thumb-indexed). In the August 27th LINN'S we reviewed the advance sheets of the countries as far as Hungary and continue this review now. The improvement most readily noticed in the new catalog is the addition of illustrations of all types of U. S. adhesive postage stamps. This in itself makes the book of greatly increased value to all who use it. It can only be hoped though that the publishers, Scott Publications Inc., will continue their revision and eliminate from the U. S. section as many as possible of the highly technical varieties included, many of which have a doubtful history or have been challenged as actually being stamps. The inclusion of illustrations is a long step in the right direction.

This, the 95th Edition, is the first one not published by the Scott Stamp &

Coin Co. It is the first edition published by the new firm headed by Hugh M. Clark, Scott Publications, Inc. Heretofore the book was, theoretically at least, considered as a pricelist of the Scott Stamp & Coin Co. as the prices therein were those at which they would sell the stamps if in stock. Scott Publications however do not sell stamps.

British Colonials of the King George V issues showing practically uniform increases in all colonies for the last George V set of each. The increase is from \$3.80 to \$5.00 on the 10 shilling denominations, others in proportion. Jubilees and Coronations show both reductions and increases, reductions being more frequent on the latter. The stamps of souvenir sheets which were issued only in sheets and not as separate stamps are now priced only as per sheet or set of sheets. Italian issues presented a problem in listing in that high values of sets from that country and its colonies invariably have a surtax for other than postal purposes. Rather than place part of the set under SEMI-POSTALS the catalogers in the hope of lessening confusion have listed the entire sets under ordinary postage.

The catalog pricing editors seem to have made a real effort to price all stamps and many a stamp listed for years without a price now has a quotation in at least one form. A great number of minor varieties which also had never been priced are now priced and considerable change has been made in

those already listed. The catalog still lists the hundreds of stamps never actually issued for postal use but we learn that the catalog will be entirely revised in 1940 which may mean the elimination of these borderline stamps. Some issues of the past year have been relegated to the Tentative Listings, notably Nicaragua's last two outbursts of miniature sheets, all of which have been used for postage but the manner of issue seems to be questioned. Egypt is spanked by having the £1 Farouk Birthday stamp so listed. Others detained in the catalog "anteroom" are the German overprints on the Brown Band and Hitler Birthday sheets; the Cuban Artist and Authors set; and the French Colonial Exposition miniature sheets of odious memory. But to get on to the changes:

Iraq's 1931 25 rupee both ordinary and official goes from \$30 to \$45; the rare error "25 flis" for "25 fils" on the 4 annas is omitted; 1932 high values increase roughly 25%. Italian East Africa is a new country listed, with 43 stamps to its credit so far; Italy's 1927 error color of the 20c Volta drops from \$30 to \$15; A number of 1929 to 1934 commems are reduced, the largest reduction being the 50% or more on most of the Dante set. 1923 Black Shirt Semi-Postals are up from 90c to \$1.50 for the set; while 1926 and 1928 sets are reduced considerably. In Airmails the Dantes drop from \$3.20 the set to \$1.92 and the 100 lire Da Vinci from \$8 to \$5. 1933 Zepps tumble from \$6.50 to \$3.25 and the 1934 Birthdays are cut in half.

Advances are few and slight in Italy, which simply reflects the fact this country has overdone the stamp issuing privilege in a flagrant manner.

The three scarcest of Ivory Coast's 1913-17 set are reduced a third or more. Japan's 1934 airmail sheet is so listed for the first time as a number, price being doubled to \$6. High values of King Alexanders of Jugo-Slavia show most of the increases there. The lost German colony of Kiauchau shows marked advances as high as \$10 each, particularly on used copies. Kuwait's 4 annas airmail jumps from \$13.50 to \$22.50 used and mint, while the other three are cut a third. Latvia's chief revision is in the German Occupation issues, which are reduced heavily, mostly downward, biggest cut being No. 603 from \$35 to \$15.

Liberia's inverted centers of the 1906 are cut as much as \$10, reflecting the fact these have always been plentiful for the limited demand. On the other

### KenMore Offers The Famous British Guiana 1c

The KenMore Stamp Co. of Kenmore, N. Y., world's leading dealers in British Colonials have announced they now have for sale the world's most valuable stamp, the famous 1c 1856 British Guiana, of which but the one copy exists. This stamp was found by a boy in 1873 while looking for stamps on the family correspondence, later selling it for six shillings to an older collector. In the next decade it changed hands at increasing prices, though in 1878, it along with numerous other early British Guiana only brought a total of \$600. For 44 years it remained in the Ferrary collection, being sold at auction in 1922 to Arthur Hind of Utica, N. Y. for approximately \$32,500. Hind admitted he bought it for publicity purposes and had been prepared to pay \$60,000 if necessary. On Hind's death in 1933 it was offered at auction with a reserve of \$50,000 but bids fell short of this by some \$12,000. The KenMore Stamp Company is offering the stamp at a price of \$37,500. The rarity is printed in black from a typeset form on a magenta paper, and was one of a provisional issue printed in a newspaper office to serve until further supplies of the regular issues arrived from England. It bears the dated cancellation of Demerara, April 4, 1856, and the initials of one of the post office force of the day.

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hand the 1920 issues are considerably increased, particularly the curious errors, reflecting the demand for these combinations which really were errors. Liechtenstein, always a popular country shows a number of real increases. 1934 30 rp. goes to \$5; 1924-28 sets increase rather uniformly; 1933 regular increases from \$5 to \$9.50; No. 114 jumps from \$4 to \$7.50; 5 franc 1934 sheet jumps from \$30 to \$45; 1934-35 general advances, the 10 franc the most, from \$6 to \$10; 1931 Zepps go up only 50c; and No. 709 official jumps from 25c to \$1.50.

Lithuania's first Kovno typesets increase 50c each; 1930 commens up; all varieties of the 1930 Airm are priced now, highest being \$10. Luxemburg being so popular the increases could be expected. The 1920 souvenir sheet of 5 is \$12, emergency sheet of 25 \$5; the 1921-22 emergency sheets of 25 are priced for the first time at \$5 to \$20; 1923 sheet up 50%; 1929-33 semi-postals are advanced uniformly; 1935 Intellectuals are now omitted.

Manchukuo No. 30 jumps from \$2 unused and 80c used to \$10 in either form; No. 108 is now priced, \$1; the scarce 39f airmail is now listed and priced at \$3. Marianna Islands German colonials increase as high as \$30 each. Marienwerder first 5 mark is increased to \$2.50, while scarce No. 40 is again upped, reaching \$1.50. Marshall Islands also increase in the Germans.

Mexico includes changes in listing as well as prices. For the first time the inverted center of the 5 peso 1915-16 is priced, \$60; so also for the first time is No. 626a, at \$20; 1934 issues have had their numbers revised; No. 723 Chiapas commem jumps from 10c to a dollar; the 40c 1929 Air drops to \$4; 943a and b are increased from \$7.50 each to \$17.50; National University airm are reduced in the values of 5 pesos and lower, 10 peso remains the same and the 20 peso is now \$100 mint and \$60 used; No. 981 is now priced, used only at \$1 as is No. 938 both ways, \$1; No. 1173 is a \$20 item; No. 1183 ups from \$6 to \$8.50; Mongolia shows but little change; we note the 1930 provisionals increase from \$5.50 to \$7.50. Newfoundland shows very little change, the 10c 1911 going from \$6 to \$7.50; the 1933 "L. & S. Post" is now listed as unwatermarked and the b variety is dropped — quite a change. The DO-X is now \$12.50.

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# \$100,000 Stamp Theft

Newspapers and radio commentators reported on Friday, September 16, what is probably the greatest stamp theft in the history of philately, the theft of over \$100,000 worth of stamps from the firm of Stanley Gibbons, Inc., New York City. Capt. G. W. Nowell-Usticke, head of the firm, discovered early in August that stamps were missing from the stock which he knew had not been sold and called in detectives on August 8. Nearly 20 other employees of the firm were investigated without result before they started checking on Mrs. Anna Kuranda Gruelich, 27, who was in charge of the books and cash of the firm. Thursday, \$38 in marked money was placed in the firm's cash register, and noting it was gone immediately after Mrs. Gruelich left the office, he signalled to a detective across the street, who in turn stopped and searched her, finding not only the marked money but stamps valued at \$175. Her husband, Francis Gruelich, was arrested a few minutes later at Woodside, Long Island. All night questioning of the pair brought confessions, a search of their six room apartment resulting in the finding of some \$25,000 worth of stamps; cash, bank deposits and securities worth \$11,000; records of the sale of thousands of dollars of stolen stamps; and lavish furnishings and expensive clothing.

Gruelich came to New York from Syracuse about six years ago, working until September, 1933, in a brokerage firm. In 1933 he married the present Mrs. Gruelich, who was working for Stanley Gibbons, Inc. On her request Capt. Usticke gave Gruelich a job sorting stamps, etc. Noting that no check was made on Mrs. Gruelich's activities, the pair commenced to take cash and stamps in small amounts home with them. Police said it appeared to be a case where petty thievery became a sort of obsession. Capt. Usticke said that few if any of the stamps stolen exceeded \$5 or \$10 each in value. Their accumulation of stolen stamps had grown to such proportions in 1937 that Gruelich quit his position and commenced dealing in stamps himself, Mrs. Gruelich meanwhile continuing to supply additions from the Gibbons stocks. Under the names of "Ralph Adams" and "Robert E. Diamond" at 128 Church Street and 15 Park Row he conducted a large business. He also ran "The International Auction Service Inc.," at 489 Fifth Ave. and had recently changed the Diamond address to Post Office Box B, New Hyde Park, N. Y., as well as planning to open a shop at 91-05 Jamaica Avenue, Jamaica, N. Y., as soon as his wife left the employ of Gibbons.

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When Gruelich needed certain stamps for want lists, he would tell his wife what he needed when they met for lunch every day, she procuring them from Gibbons' stock that afternoon! Photos of material recovered included two filing cabinets crammed with all kinds of U. S. stamps, mint sheets in profusion.

Under the name of Robert E. Diamond, Gruelich issued a nicely printed house organ, catering to collectors of U. S. The latest number says over the signature of "Diamond" that "the summer time is the time to pick up bargains" though it appears this firm was "picking up" bargains the year round. Also noted were prominent display ads in *Mekeels and Stamps* in the issues appearing two days after the arrest advising all and sundry of their "New Address" which had more than a little irony and humor as the proprietor was already in a new address—jail—when the ads appeared. When arraigned they were ordered held in \$15,000 bail.

## Mint — UNITED STATES — Mint

No.	Block	Sgls.
229 90c Orange, 1890	\$32.50	\$4.65
314 1c Green, 1906	4.50	1.10
320 2c Carmine, 1906	5.00	1.25
498 1c Green, 1917	.18	.04
504 5c Blue, 1917	.45	.11
507 7c Black, 1917	2.00	.48
509 9c Salmon, 1917	.90	.23
511 11c Dk. Green, 1917	2.50	.60
512 12c Dk. Clar. Brn., 1917	.80	.19
516 30c Org. Red, 1917	2.75	.60
517 50c Violet, 1917	3.40	.82
523 \$2 Orange & Black, 1917	70.00	17.50
612 2c Harding Impf.	1.80	.45
631 1 1/2c Rty. Imperf.	1.50	.36
658-68 1c-10c "Kansas"	19.25	4.90
659-79 1c-10c "Nebr."	23.25	6.40
771 16c Impf.	2.20	.55
1303 8c Green, Air	2.20	.55
1312-14 65c-82.60 Zepp	158.00	38.50
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1317 50c Zepp	9.75	2.25

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286 @ .25	535 @ 1.00	644 @ .22
323 @ .40	561 @ .18	648 @ .45
300 @ .17	563c @ .40	649 @ .08
303 @ .45	565c @ .21	1304 @ 1.95
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set for the homeland and the colonies of Curacao and Suriname comprise three values each, while Netherlands Indies has four values in its set. The New York Times states these are to be withdrawn on October 15. The International Collectors' Club of Rotterdam favors us with a copy of the 12½¢ deep blue on cover.

## Washington (D. C.) Open House

The Washington Philatelic Society is planning an Open House, Bourse, Exhibition and Banquet, these activities to be spread over three days, Nov. 10, 11, 12. Clubs of nearby states are expected to participate. This club meets at the Carlton Hotel, though headquarters of the event are not mentioned. For information write J. C. Ewell, 410 Bond Bldg., Washington, D. C., who is handling the programs.

## Akron Party Announced

The hundred attendants at the recent Canton-Akron picnic heard the announcement that this year's Open House of the Rubber City Stamp Club will be held December 3 and 4 at the Mayflower Hotel, Akron, Ohio, same place as in previous years. Committees are already working.



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# CANADA COILS AND BOOKLET PANES

This week we are featuring two groups of Canadian stamps which, up until a year or two ago, were generally overlooked. With the increase in demand, their real scarcity is becoming apparent. We carry perhaps the most comprehensive stock of these in the world, and would suggest you check the listing below and fill in your vacancies. We also carry a very complete stock of all B. N. A. and will be very glad to have your want list. All stamps in very good to very fine condition. Satisfaction guaranteed unconditionally.

## MINT BOOKLET PANES

An attractive group that is rapidly gaining in popularity. Some of these are extremely scarce. In listing, we give first our stock number, then the Scott number of the stamps used in the booklet, and then the number of stamps in the pane. The one cent stamps in panes of six come in booklets of four panes; two-cent stamps in panes of four come in booklets of two panes. The one, two and three cent stamps in panes of four come in Combination Booklets (price in brackets) of all three denominations. Quotations on Plate Number Panes and used booklet panes on request. Customers will note that we have changed our listing of these to conform with several of the other dealers.

			Price				Price			
			Pane	Bklt.			Pane	Bklt.		
1000	2c	Victoria	#86a	(6)	Want	Want	1016	2c	Carmine	177 (6) .25 .50
1001	2c	Edward	90	(6)	Want	Want	1017	2c	Brown	185 (6) .60 1.25
1002	1c	Green	104	(6)	.12	.45	1018	1c	Green	176 (4) 2.25
1002a	1c	Blue Green	104	(6)	.50	2.00	1019	2c	Brown	185 (4) 2.00
1003	2c	Rose Red	105	(6)	.20	.40	1020	3c	Carmine	186 (4) .75 1.50
1003a	2c	Carmine	105	(6)	.50	1.00	1021	1c	Green	195 (6) .12 .45
1004	3c	Brown	106	(4)	.75	3.00	1021a	1c	Blue Green	195 (6) .15 .40
1005	1c	Yellow	121	(6)	.12	.45	1022	2c	1932	196 (6) .20 .40
D1006	2c	Green	122	(6)	3.00	6.00	1023	1c	1932	195 (4) 1.00
1006a	2c	Yel. Green	122	(6)	3.75	7.50	1024	2c	1932	196 (4) 1.00 (2.50)
1007	1c	Yellow	121	(4)	.50	1.00	1025	3c	1932	197 (4) .50 1.00
1008	2c	Green	122	(4)	.50	(1.20)	1026	1c	1935	217 (6) .12 .45
1009	3c	Carmine	123	(4)	.20	.40	1027	2c	1935	218 (6) .20 .45
1004, 1007 and 1008 Comb.	(4)				(2.00)		1028	1c	1935	217 (4) .50 1.00
1010	1c	1928	149	(6)	.12	.45	1029	2c	1935	218 (4) .50 (1.20)
1011	2c	1928	150	(6)	.20	.40	1030	3c	1935	219 (4) .20 .45
1012	5c	1928	153	(6)	1.25	(2.00)	1031	1c	1937	231 (6) .12 .45
1013	2c	Green (flat)	163	(6)	.25	.50	1032	2c	1937	232 (6) .20 .45
1013a	2c	"Perf. at ends"	(6)		2.50	5.00	1033	1c	1937	231 (4) .10 .45
1014	2c	Green (Rot.)	163	(6)	1.25	2.50	1034	2c	1937	232 (4) .15 (45)
1015	1c	Green	176	(6)	.75	3.00	1035	3c	1937	233 (4) .20 .40

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		Mint		Used				Mint		Used	
		Jt. Pr.	Pr.	Sgl.	Pr.	Sgl.	Pr.	Jt. Pr.	Pr.	Sgl.	Pr.
Perf. 8 Horiz.											
112	1c	Blue Green	2.50	1.25	.70	.35					
113	2c	Carmine	2.25	1.50	.75	1.25	.50				
Perf. 8 Vertical											
114	1c	Green	.16	.08	.15	.02					
114a	1c	Deep Green	.20	.10	.18	.02					
114b	1c	Pale Blue G'n	.20	.10	.20	.02					
114c	1c	Blue Green	.24	.12	.24	.02					
114d	1c	Yel. Green	.45	.30	.15	.25	.02				
114e	1c	Dp. Yel. Grn.	.20	.10	.18	.02					
115	2c	Carmine	.40	.28	.14	.25	.02				
115a	2c	Pale Carm.	.30	.15	.15	.02					
115b	2c	Rose Red	.50	.25	.35	.03					
115c	2c	Scarlet	.40	.20	.20	.03					
116	3c	Dp. Br. (toned)	.25	.18	.09	.18	.03				
116a	3c	Brown	.50	.30	.15	.30	.06				
Perf. 12 Horiz.											
117	1c	Deep Green	.12	.08	.04	.06	.03				
117a	Var.	with holes	1.50	1.00	.50						
117b	1c	Blue Green	.50	.30	.12	.30	.12				
118	2c	Carm. Red	1.00	.60	.30	.50	.18				
119	3c	Brown	.15	.10	.05	.08	.04				
Perf. 8 Vert.											
D131	1c	Yellow	.08	.04	.02	.04	.02				
D131b	1c	Or. Yellow	.10	.06	.03	.06	.03				
131c	1c	Yel. Orange	.15	.10	.05	.06	.03				
132	2c	Green	.32	.16	.20	.02					
D132b	2c	Yel. Green	.50	.25	.20	.02					
133	3c	Carmine	1.00	.68	.44	.50	.07				
133b	3c	Deep Carmine	.80	.40	.50	.10					
Perf. 12 Horiz.											
134	2c	Green	4.20	2.80	1.40	2.90	1.25				
1928 Coils											
160	1c	Orange	.20	.14	.07	.16	.08				
161	2c	Green	.50	.08	.09	.10	.04				
1930-31 Coils Li. Pr.											
173	1c	Orange	.10	.04	.02	.04	.02				
174	2c	Green	.15	.06	.03	.06	.03				
174a	Cockeyed King	2.50									
182	1c	Green	.20	.10	.05	.06	.03				
183	2c	Red	.35	.15	.08	.12	.04				
183a	Cockeyed King	1.50	Strip			1.50					
188	2c	Brown	.30	.14	.07	.10	.02				
188a	Cockeyed King	1.25	Strip			1.25					
189	3c	Carmine	.15	.10	.05	.08	.01				
1933 Medallion Coils											
205	1c	Green	.10	.04	.02	.04	.02				
206	2c	Brown	.15	.06	.03	.04	.02				
207	3c	Red	.20	.08	.03	.03	.01				
1935 Coils											
228	1c	Green	.04	.02	.01	.02					
228a	1c	"Narrow One"	.75	.75	.75	.75					
229	2c	Brown	.06	.03	.04	.02					
230	3c	Red	.10	.05	.03	.01					
1937 Coils—Geo. VI											
238	1c	Green	.04	.02	.01	.02					
239	2c	Brown	.06	.03	.04	.02					
240	3c	Red	.10	.05	.03	.01					
1916 War Tax											
								Jt. Pr.			
805	2 & 1c	Red	4.00	3.00	1.50	.75	.40				
806	2 & 1c	Brown	1.00	.80	.40	.80	.40				
								Die II			
806a	2 & 1c	Brown	2.00	1.00	1.15	.40					
								Die I			
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## \$1 1923 Withdrawn At Agency

As of September 14 the Philatelic Agency withdrew from sale, the \$1.00 Lincoln Memorial stamp, issued on February 12, 1923, which without change in method of printing, gauge of perforation or color has been the current stamp of that denomination since that time. It is not expected there will be any rush on post office stocks as it is widely stocked in sufficient quantities to indicate it will be in circulation for years. The withdrawal of this stamp from the Agency sets a record of some sort as the new \$1 design of the Presidential series had only been in circulation 15 days before the old design was withdrawn. The stamp was printed in sheets of 200, divided horizontally by cutting into post office panes of 100, the vertical guide line being of course perforated. Plates 14268, 18642, 18680-81-82 were reported used, the plate number appearing twice in the top and bottom margins, over (or under) the third stamp from right and left edges of panes.

## Pittsburgh (Pa.) Meeting

Final plans have been announced for the Golden Jubilee Exhibition of the Philatelic Society of Pittsburgh to be held October 8 and 9 at the "Chatterbox" in the William Penn Hotel, Pittsburgh, Pa. A 200 frame exhibit with a 30 table bourse will be open both days. The banquet will be at 6:45 P. M. on the evening of the 8th in the Urban Room of the Hotel. Tickets \$2.00 and may be obtained of Harry E. Huber, Treasurer, 5913 Rippey St., East Liberty Sta., Pittsburgh. The poster stamps for this event were illustrated and announced in previous issues of LINN'S.

## Four Commems Sold Out

Thursday, September 22, the Post Office Dept. stated the 1c Navy, 2c Navy, 2c Army and 3c Texas Centennial commemorative stamps were withdrawn from sale at the Agency. The 1c Army had been sold out earlier in the month. The Department reiterated its rule that at the Agency plate numbers may be obtained of denominations under the \$1 only by purchasing the full sheet. Plate numbers and other markings of the dollar values may be obtained in blocks of four, but not in singles.

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## 12c Bisect In Gerber Sale

One of the number of choice lots in Lambert Gerber's Auction at the A.P.S. Convention will be the 12c 1851 bisected and used on portion of a cover from San Francisco. Another rare bisect in the sale is one of the two known copies of the 2c vermilion of 1875. The sale includes 750 lots of fine U. S. and Foreign, all picked lots.

## AUCTION CALENDAR

Oct. 8—U. S., Foreign and Wholesale, M. Ohlman, 116-L Nassau St., New York City.  
Oct. 12—Sale at A. P. S. Convention, New Orleans. Lambert W. Gerber, 441 Arlington, Tamaqua, Pa.

Jamaica's present troubles making necessary the calling in of the military recall that the colonial government never dared issue the 6 pence stamp prepared in 1921 to commemorate the abolition of slavery.

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## Editor's Notebook

THE PROBLEM Stamp collecting is breaking into the news these days in sums not to be sneezed at. First its a find of a "\$50,000 stamp" and next a \$100,000 larceny. Though the first proved a gross exaggeration, unfortunately the second was only too true. The \$100,000 theft highlights a matter of increasing concern to dealers and collectors — the number of thefts of stamp collections and stock books with little of the loot ever recovered. Such a large market exists for U. S. and recent foreign that thieves apparently find philately a good field for their activities. The size of the market does have something to do with it, just as the difficulty of identifying stolen material adds its bit of incentive. Every dealer's stock contains certain books duplicated in every other dealer's stock. Most collections of U. S. contain few items not duplicated in hundreds, if not thousands of other collections.

What to do about it all is our problem. If collectors and dealers would unite in

punishing without exception all thieves caught, the examples set would at least deter some of the crooks, for certainty of punishment is the only way of straightening many of the brethren with "taking ways." Even more effective would be consistently strong action against all who knowingly buy stolen property. Laws are at hand to punish such, but courts have frequently been lax in using them. Philately has at its hands means to punish very effectively those who transgress. Clubs have too frequently been dilatory in requiring explanations and/or resignations from members with too light a conscience.

In several cases we know of, though strong evidence was presented, no action was taken by the club involved—once because the accused was a "good fellow." The accused was not even required to answer charges though it was plain no reasonable doubt of guilt existed. Such indifference only piles up trouble for the future. We can not blame courts or police if we collectors are equally lax in detection, prosecution and punishment.

Some of us make the mistake of bragging at the wrong time and place just how valuable our stamps are. Most of us are a little careless in protecting them. We'd never think of leaving bonds or cash worth a fraction of our stamps in the places we do leave the stamps. Some of us too are too ready to buy a stamp offered at a price we know is unnecessarily low. Strong suspicions, not to mention really worthwhile evidence is withheld from authorities because "we didn't want any trouble." But trouble does come, sometimes with a painful sort of justice, as for example to the collector who shied from examining evidence of criminal acts of one "good fellow" and later was neatly trimmed by the same "good fellow."

The \$100,000 theft brought out that the accused was not only dealing openly in stolen stamps, but was advertising in stamp publications (not LINN'S) under an assumed name and putting on a big front in general. Such things shouldn't be and philatelic publishers are to blame in part at least for their failure to collectively join in combat against the frauds. LINN'S has repeatedly urged such action, but most of our contemporaries have remained blind to the need.

—R. R.

The Post Office Dept. does have a sense of humor: including in the notice of first day sale of the new \$2 stamp the warning that collectors "may send a limited number of covers, not in excess of 10."

Scott's in the new catalog listed the colors of the 4c Presidential and 3c Swedish-Finnish as "red violet" but after thinking it over corrected them to "magenta" in the errata list inserted in the new books. We understand some rugged individualists still hold out for titling this color "raspberry."

All reports agree that the S. P. A. Convention was certainly the exception to usual dull business sessions.

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2c EACH—20, 21\*, 22\*, 26, 27, 32, 35\*, 166\*, 175\*, 210\*, 212\*, 214\*, 217\*, 220\*, 239, 240, 302\*, 342, 403\*, 410, 412, 413, 415, 426, 427, 504, 510\*, 514\*, 515\*, 519\*, 520\*, 521, 558\*, 559, 565, 567, 568, 617, 618, 619, 620, 624, 625, 626, 627, 648, 650, 651, 679, 680, 695, 696, 698, 712, 713, 714, 715, 733, 801, 802, 803, 805, 806, 807, 902, 907, 908, 917, 919, 925, 929, 930.

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6c EACH—126, 301\*, 425, 513\*, 517\*, 554, 561, 682, 697, 720, 804, 839.

7c EACH—446, 557, 710, 735, 746.

8c EACH—201\*, 216\*, 222\*, 508\*, 518\*, 566, 570\*, 556, 657, 672, 673, 683, 702, 709, 809, 810, 813, 914, 922, 927.

9c EACH—716, 718.

10c EACH—102\*, 167\*, 436, 658, 659, 911, 912, 923.

OVER 10c—#33 1.25, 101\*...35, 121\*...12, 122\*...16, 202\*...18, 223\*...30, 224\*...50, 355...75, 418...12, 435...15, 441...40, 503\*...25, 562...18, 563A...15, 564...45, 571\*...25, 580...25, 581\*...30, 583\*...65, 584\*...1.00, 585...25, 661...25, 662...40, 674...15, 701...15, 703...30, 704...25, 705...38, 721...18, 722...25, 723...35, 724...55, 811...12, 812...20, 814...13, 815...13, 816...30, 910...12, 920...12, 921...12, 928...15, 933...12, 1005\*...30.

## SETS

No.	No.	No.
151-163*	1.01	853-855*
233-242*	.25	856-859*
740-744*	.85	934-938*
15, 703...30, 704...25, 705...38, 721...18, 722...25, 723...35, 724...55, 811...12, 812...20, 814...13, 815...13, 816...30, 910...12, 920...12, 921...12, 928...15, 933...12, 1005*...30.	2.00	1006-1013*
749-750*	.30	1014-1015*
905-816*	1.25	949-825*
		501 Zeffeb Sht.

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New York, N. Y.

## Alexandretta's Issues

Special stamps were authorized for the autonomous territory separated from Syria and titled "Sandjak d' Alexandretta" by a decree of the High Commissioners dated March 23, 1938. Stamps of Syria were overprinted between April 6 and 14 at the Rotos Printing Works at Alexandretta from copper plates (electrotypes?) bearing the name and no other inscription. The quantities overprinted as given in *L'Echo de la Timbrologie* are as follows:

Value	Overprint	Quantity
Op.10	black	204,900
Op.20	black	105,400
Op.50	black	102,550
1p.	red	51,650
2p.	red	102,550
3p.	red	21,050
4p.	black	175,550
6p.	red	51,900
25p.	black	15,850
<i>Air Mail</i>		
Op.50	red	51,050
1p.	red	31,050
2p.	red	21,050
3p.	black	21,050
5p.	black	15,850
10p.	black	15,850
15p.	black	15,798
25p.	red	15,700
<i>Postage Due</i>		
Op.50	black	10,550
1p.	black	5,550
2p.	red	5,550
3p.	black	5,550
5p.	red	5,550
8p.	red	5,550

A supplementary printing of 5,000 stamps was made on April 25 by the same printers of each of the six values of the Postage Due.

In addition have been overprinted: 2,200 stamped envelopes of 4 pi., 1,100 postcards of 3 pi. and 1,099 letter-cards of 4 pi.

On May 4, 1938, a Commission presided over by the Director of Finances, who is also Director of Posts and Telegraphs of the Sandjak, together with four members of the Administration, witnessed the destruction of the overprinting plates in the furnaces of the firm of Narin Marimian at Alexandretta.

It was said when the Sultan Ibrahim issue of Johore was issued in 1896 that the change of color was adopted so the son could be told from his father, Sultan Abubakar, because they looked so much alike, it was difficult to say which was which.

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#60	50c	Jubilee very fine used	1.25
#61	1.00	Jubilee very fine used	4.50
#62	2.00	Jubilee heavy cancellation otherwise very fine	1.75
#63	3.00	Jubilee mint no gum copy some off center	5.00
#64	4.00	Jubilee heavily cancelled but nice copy	4.50
#65	5.00	Jubilee very nice used copy for the price	5.00
#101	10c	Quebec very fine used copy	1.25
#102	15c	Quebec fine used copy	1.50
#103	20c	Quebec very fine used copy	2.00

## MINT BLOCKS OF FOUR

#53	3c	Jubilee O. G. very fine	\$.32
#66	1/2c	black 1897 very fine O. G.	.22
#84	rate change	very fine O. G.	.70
#85	rate change	some off center but	
<i>O. K.</i>			
#89	1c	gray green very fine block O. G.	.25
#98	1c	Quebec very fine block	.75
#128	1923-4	1c imperf. very fine O. G.	1.00
#129	1923-4	2c imperf. very fine O. G.	3.70
#130	1923-4	3c imperf. very fine O. G.	.85
#131	a 1923-3	1c perf. 8	.75
#132	a 1923-4	2c perf. 8	.75
#135	7c	red brown very fine O. G.	.35
#138	50c	black brown very fine O. G.	2.35
#139	1926	surcharged very fine O. G.	2.50
#140	1926	surcharged off center but O. K.	1.00
#143	Parliament Bldg.	very fine O. G.	.18
#147	12c	1927 Historical issue very fine	.60
<i>O. G.</i>			
#148	20c	1927 Historical issues very fine	1.00
<i>O. G.</i>			
#158	50c	Bluenose very fine O. G.	2.45
#171	50c	Church at Grand Pre' very fine	2.45
<i>O. G.</i>			
#191	1932	surcharged very fine O. G.	.18
#194	1932	13c deep green very fine O. G.	.95
#201	1932	13c dull violet very fine O. G.	.95
#202	Parliament Hill	very fine O. G.	.45
#203	Grain Ex.	issue very fine O. G.	1.10
#204	S. S. Royal William	very fine O. G.	.35
#208	Cartier Comm.	very fine O. G.	.28
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#205	.04	#206	.07	#207	.10	#228	.04
#229	.07	#230	.10				

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#38	.09	#157	.08	#204	.04	#224	.04
#120	.01	#169	.05	#208	.03	#225	.03
#126	.02	#170	.02	#209	.05	#226	.12
#142	.01	#171	.10	#211	.01	#227	.25
#143	.03	#172	.25	#212	.01	#237	.01
#145	.05	#194	.10	#213	.01	#501	.04
#147	.10	#197	.01	#215	.07	#505	.05
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# The Postage Stamp Parade

A Record of New Issues and New Discoveries

By RAY SHEPARD—1529 Duxberry Ave.—COLUMBUS, OHIO

**AFGHANISTAN**—Type of 1934. Unwmkd., Perf. 12:

A72—45p. red  
New design. Upright rectangular format, perf. 10½x12:

A77—50p. light blue and sepia (Zahi Shah)  
a. imperforate  
Above stamp was issued to commemorate the 5th Anniversary of the Coronation of Mohammed Zahir Shah. Lithographed printing. (Gibbons' Monthly Supplement)

**AUSTRALIA**—Postage Dues. Typographed, wmkd. C of A and Crown, perf. 14½x14. Size of stamp as before:

D4—¼d. yellow-green and carmine  
D4—1d. " " " "  
D4—2d. " " " "  
D4—3d. " " " "  
D4—4d. " " " "  
D4—6d. " " " "  
D4—1s. " " " "

(R. Roberts)

**BAHRAIN**—Offset overprint. New King George VI value overprinted for use here. Size of stamp, perf. and watermark same as before:

3½a. deep blue  
(R. Roberts)

**BULGARIA**—The recent issue of National Products issue seems to have been confusing to more than one person regarding the face value of the stamps. For example Scott's list the stamps as 4L., 30L., and 50L., while Gibbons'



list them as 30s., 50s. and 4L. In our chronicle, we noted them as 4s., 30s. and 50s. As soon as we can correctly learn who is right and which is which we will attempt to clarify them for our readers.

**CHINA**—Postage Provisionals. Owing to low stocks of the 8 and 10 Cent values the under-noted designs have been surcharged with new values as given:

A47—8c. on 40c. orange



A38—10c. on 25c. ultramarine (type II)  
(Whitfield, King & Co.)

**ECUADOR**—Type set overprint in red. Numerals "20" in corner of overprint and in center in two lines is the wording "CASA DE CORREOS Y TELEGRAFOS":

20c. on 70c. black (red)  
(R. Roberts)

**FRENCH EQUATORIAL AFRICA**—Additional value to go with those noted by us Sept. 3rd:

A6—2.15fr. violet & yellow  
(Gibbons' Monthly Supplement)

**GUADELOUPE**—New values and colors.

A12—35c. blue-green  
A12—55c. carmine & ultramarine  
A12—80c. brown & carmine  
(Gibbons' Monthly Supplement)

**HUNGARY**—Philatelic Sheet. Souvenir. Size of sheet 146x106mm. Wmkd. double Cross on Pyramid, perf. 12:

A68—20f. carmine-lake & green (St. Stephen)  
(Scott's Monthly Journal)

**JUGOSLAVIA**—Railway Men's Hospital Fund. Photogravure, sheets of 100, unwmkd., perf. 12½x11½ transverse format (1d. and 1.50D.) or 11½x12½ upright format (2d. and 3D.). Various pictorial designs.

1D. plus 1D. green  
1.50D. plus 1.50D. scarlet  
2D. plus 2D. mauve  
3D. plus 3D. blue

(R. Roberts)

**MAURITANIA**—New value.

A4—35c. yellow-green & green  
(Gibbons' Monthly Supplement)

**MOZAMBIQUE**—Provisional. Under-noted type surcharged with new value "40 CENTAVOS" and two short horizontal bars obliterating the old value:

A7—40c. on 45c. light blue  
(Gibbons' Monthly Supplement)

**NEJD**—Type of 1934 Issue. Unwmkd., perf. 11½:



A9—3g. light ultramarine  
(Scott's Monthly Supplement)

**NEW ZEALAND**—Official Stamp. Engraved, wmkd. mult. NZ & Star, perf. 14x13. Under-noted value chronicled by us August 27th, overprinted for official use:

A79—1d. deep carmine  
(A. J. Bower)

Quantities of the Coronation stamps sold were as follows: 1d.—38,455,554; 2½d.—1,564,496; 6d.—2,079,611.  
(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

**VENEZUELA**—Air Post Stamps. Same type as those chronicled by us Aug. 13th. Unwmkd., perf. 12. Additional values and colors:

AP8—12½c. dull violet  
AP8—25c. bistre-brown  
AP9—40c. reddish-brown  
AP8—75c. olive-bistre  
AP9—1B. dark-violet  
(Scott's Monthly Journal)

## Naval Cancells—Cachets

By FREDERICK W. HORTON  
ANCS 656

P.O. Box 380, Port Chester, N. Y.

(\*) Means include forwarding of 1c per cover.

Jimmie Allen, ANCS 489, of the USS Whippoorwill writes in to say that he has been transferred to shore duty at the Signal Tower at Pearl Harbor, but will continue to receive covers for the Whippoorwill. Address Jimmie at the Signal Tower, 14th Naval District, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

Walter J. Dybas, 253 Guilford Street, Buffalo, N. Y., will sponsor the following bi-colored cachets: Oct. 12 Columbus discovered America mailed from 5 naval ships; Oct. 17 Surrender of Gen. Burgoyne mailed from 1 ship and place of surrender (\*).

Your editor, address at head of column, will sponsor a printed cachet for the shakedown cruise of the destroyer USS Sampson. Send covers unsealed and unstuffed in sets of 10 (\*). Deadline about Oct. 15.

The David Bushnell Chapter No. 48, USCS, will sponsor a Navy Day cachet from three ships. Send covers in sets of 3 (\*) to Fred O. Lammlin, 112 Butler Street, New Haven, Conn. Deadline Oct. 17th.

Walt Czubay, ANCS 707, 3116—36 Street, Astoria, L. I., N. Y., will sponsor a cachet for Navy Day, all ships will be covered in the U. S. Navy, including the entire Asiatic Fleet. Collectors should send prepared covers (\*) and name ships wanted. All covers arriving late will be held for other holiday events in the Asiatic Fleet and ships in foreign waters. Czubay is also holding covers for last day in commission of 25 ships that will go out of commission in 1939, a number will go out after the first of the year. Also Czubay will cover every ship for first day in commission. Send any amount of covers (\*).

Murray Hart, 422 Jackson Ave., Elizabeth, N. J., will sponsor a pictorial cachet for the 75th anniversary of Lincoln's Gettysburg dedication, Nov. 19, 1863. Send 4 cents in coin as envelopes will be furnished. Covers will be mailed from the USS Pennsylvania and Gettysburg, Pa. Limit of 3 to a collector.

The Brooklyn Crew of ANCS will sponsor a cachet for the first day in commission of the USS Helena. Send covers (\*) to Michael Sanders, 727 New Jersey Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

T. G. Nicholson, P. O. Box 32, Portsmouth, Va., is still holding covers for the following events: Commissionings: USS St. Louis, Stack, Rowan. First Day P. O.: USS St. Louis, Stack, Rowan. Shakedown cruise: USS St. Louis, covers in sets of 8. Send covers unsealed and unstuffed (\*) now.

Edward E. Bryan, P. O. Box 304, Albany, Oregon, will sponsor a cachet for Navy Day featuring "Old Ironsides," mailed from two important naval connections. Send covers in sets of 2 (\*) for different bi-colored cachet on each. Deadline Oct. 10th.

Your editor (address at head of column) will by popular demand continue his birthday series of naval ships. This group will be mailed from the USS West Virginia, Cachalot, Salt Lake City, Guam, John D. Ford and Melville. Send covers unsealed and unstuffed (\*). Deadline Nov. 1st.

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## 10c Sidewise Coil Among New Plates

These plates have been completed during the month of August. Note that plates for the Presidentials are being made apparently as fast as designs are approved, and not in sequence of denominations.

Plate Number	Denomination	Series	Size
22094-95	\$1 Wilson, frame only	1938	100 flat
22096-97-98-99	\$1 Wilson, centers only	1938	100 flat
22100-01-02-03	10c Tyler, sidewise coil	1938	170 rotary
22104-05-06-07	3c Jefferson	1938	400 rotary
22108-09-10-11	17c Johnson	1938	400 rotary
22112-13-14-15	21c Arthur	1938	400 rotary
22116-17-18-19	25c McKinley	1938	400 rotary
22120-21	\$2 Harding, centers only	1938	100 flat
22122-23	\$2 Harding, frames only	1938	100 flat
22124-25-26-27	15c Buchanan	1938	400 rotary

These plates went to press during August and sheets should appear in post office stocks soon:—

Plate Number	Denomination	Series	Size
22055-56-57-58-59-60-62-65-68	3c Jefferson, ordinary	1938	400 rotary
22091-92	3c Iowa Territory, Commemorative	1938	200 rotary
21968-70	8c Van Buren, ordinary	1938	400 rotary
22039-40	10c Tyler, ordinary	1938	400 rotary
22043-44	11c Polk, ordinary	1938	400 rotary
22047-49	12c Taylor, ordinary	1938	400 rotary
22073-74	13c Fillmore, ordinary	1938	400 rotary
22085-86-94-95	\$1 Wilson, ordinary, frames only	1938	100 flat
22096-97-98-99	\$1 Wilson, ordinary, centers only	1938	100 flat

## First Day Calendar

- 14c Pierce of new issue, October 6, at Washington, D. C.  
 15c Buchanan of new issue, October 13, at Washington, D. C.  
 16c Lincoln of new issue, October 20, at Washington, D. C.  
 17c Johnson of new issue, October 27, at Washington, D. C.

Ohlman's October 8 auction includes among many other unusual items French Offices in Morocco No. 7 and 8, each on cover. These scarce provisionals were on sale only three hours.

A specimen of the "Penny Post Paid" handstamp used by William Dockwra for his London Penny Post of 1680 was recently found by Robson Lowe. This copy is the first to be found since those now in the British museum. It is valued at \$500 as a minimum.

## Chinese Set Annulled

The California Collectors Club of San Francisco advise us that the Radio Communication commemorative set announced by China some time ago will not be issued—reason or reasons unknown. The plates had been made and stamps were to have been issued on July 14. This set was to have portrayed both President Roosevelt and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek of China.

Oh good gosh—it's happened again. SIAM just ceases to exist after October 15. But before you begin cussing those European dictators maybe we had better mention its only a fourth-class postoffice in Seneca County, Ohio.

Br-r-r-r! Winter's on its way, for the Post Office Dept. is starting to open the post offices at winter resorts.

## Fewer 11c First Days Sent

When the 11c Polk went on sale at Washington on Sept. 8, 119,346 copies of the stamp were sold at the city post office and the Philatelic Agency. 63,966 covers were cancelled. Of the 12c Taylor issued on Sept. 14, the Department sold 114,994 copies on the first day and cancelled 62,935 first day covers. This represents a drop of over 20,000 covers from the 10c and indicates many collectors and dealers only intended to send covers of denominations to the 10c.

## Our Book Review

*Official Catalog of United States Double Line Electro Precancels*, Published by Hoover Bros., 444 Fourth Ave., New York City, 74 pages, price \$1.00 postpaid. This is the second edition of this catalog, devoted to listings of the three types of electros issued for use locally beginning in 1929, and the distribution of which ceased in 1932 (with exception of a plate supplied the Washington, D. C. postmaster.) Prices are net, being based on actual selling prices of dealers and prices realized at auctions. Copies whose designs are touched or cut by perforations are considered worth 25% to 50% less than the catalog quotations. The book is edited by Berton Hoover with J. R. Erikson, C. E. Friesell, Chas Metz and R. T. Woodruff as assistants. Pages are 5 by 7 inches, cover is heavy green card bound with the popular multiple ring method, the listings being printed by the planograph method.

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TRINIDAD				TURKS & CAICOS				WESTERN AUS.				ZULULAND			
48	.33	44	.25	4	.28	74	.42	5	.33	6	.66	4	.66	6	.66
58	.33	47	.33	5	.33	75	.38	7	.30	7	1.66	6	.66	8	1.33
59	.25	50	.25	6	.25	80	.33	8	.33	8	2.33	8	1.33	9	2.33
60	.66	51	.66	7	.42	81	.50	9	.27	9	2.33	9	2.33	10	1.33
61	.42	52	.66	8	.69	82	.50	10	.33	10	1.33	10	1.33	11	1.33
63	.42	53	.66	9	.33	87	.38	11	.33	11	.60	11	.60	12	.60
66	.66	54	.66	10	.33	88	.38	12	.33	12	.60	12	.60	13	.60
72	.28	55	.66	11	.33	89	.38	13	.33	13	.60	13	.60	14	.60
77	.25	56	.66	12	.33	90	.38	14	.33	14	.60	14	.60	15	.60
80	.33	57	.66	13	.33	91	.38	15	.33	15	.60	15	.60	16	.60
89	.33	58	.66	14	.33	92	.38	16	.33	16	.60	16	.60	17	.60
104	.25	59	.66	15	.33	93	.38	17	.33	17	.60	17	.60	18	.60
151	.25	60	.66	16	.33	94	.38	18	.33	18	.60	18	.60	19	.60
155	.38	61	.66	17	.33	95	.38	19	.33	19	.60	19	.60	20	.60
157	.50	62	.66	18	.33	96	.38	20	.33	20	.60	20	.60	21	.60
158	.33	63	.66	19	.33	97	.38	21	.33	21	.60	21	.60	22	.60
159	.66	64	.66	20	.33	98	.38	22	.33	22	.60	22	.60	23	.60
TURKS				VICTORIA				ZANZIBAR				WESTERN AUS.			
2	3.33	28	.50	127	.50	131	.50	5	.33	6	.66	26	.55	27	.55
		30	.33	128	.50	132	.50	6	.33	7	.66	28	.55	29	.55
		35	5.00	129	.50	133	.50	7	.33	8	.66	29	.55	30	.55

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## BUREAU PRECANCELS

August Orders, 1938

### New Town

Lakewood, N. J., 1c ordinary.

### New Items

All Fifth Bureau Issue Ordinaries.

Atlanta, 4½c; Baltimore, ½-10c; Berkeley, 1c; Boise, 1½-2c; Chicago, ¼-4½c; Cleveland, 1-1½c; Dallas, 1½c; Davenport, ½c; Elkhart, 1-1½c; Indianapolis, 1c; Little Rock, 1c; Oklahoma City, 1½c; Pittsburgh, ½-8c; Portland, Ore., 1c; Rochester, 1c; Rockford, 1c; San Jose, 1c; Upper Darby, ½-1c; Wichita, 1½c; Youngstown, ½c.

These items ordered in July will doubtless soon appear on the 1938 stamp:

Atlanta, 11-13c; Baltimore, 13c; Boston, 7c; Los Angeles, 15c; Minneapolis, 10-11c; St. Paul, 12-15-20c.

—H. M. Southgate.

## THE PLIGHT OF OLD TYPE BUROS

Many scarce medium priced items in old type buros are going begging now because of lack of interest in this particular type and division of the buro print field. There will be many who will want to kick themselves for not getting these old types while available. The situation right now stacks up like this. The older collector who has a collection of old type buros has them all but the scarce ones, and the newer collector generally starts off his collection with the B-11 types. But I find that there is still some demand for the medium priced old types and it will only be a matter of time till

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Same, blocks four	66 blocks
Old Style coll singles	75 stamps
B-11 singles	437 stamps
B-11 blocks four	121 blocks
B-11 Colls, singles	145 stamps
All Coll Pairs	28 pairs
Playing Cards, singles	11 stamps

Also a few larger pieces of interest. The condition is good to fine. Naturally there are a few stamps not so fine, but these have been kept for lack of better copies and even then stamps catalogued up to \$20 even in fair condition are quite desirable. The collection should be a good buy for any small dealer, collector or trader. Catalogue value \$600.

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all of them, except a limited few, will be in the rarity class. Right now is the lull while most collectors are filling in their B-11s and getting started on the Presidentials, so sneak up on a few old type buros this winter and you never will regret it.

## OHIO ½c BUROS

If one possessed only a knowledge of general precancels and was asked what he thought about the ½c values of large OHIO cities he no doubt would quickly say they would be worth little more and but little more scarce than 1c values from the same places. This is not true though as an examination of quite a few stocks proved. They are not scarce it is true, but they do not exist in BALEs as some items do and this means that in a few years these items will be pressing the medium priced class for a place in their ranks. Springfield and Dayton seem to be much more common than Columbus, Cleveland, Toledo, Akron or Cincinnati, altho the latter lists only at 2c. I find it just as scarce as ones from Toledo or Columbus. On the other hand there seems to be an inexhaustible supply of ½c from Springfield but few if any blocks are known. Get your blocks and singles of these now or else pay the piper later on.

## NOTES

The ESCPEEECE came thru with two ½c Los Angeles Presidential Buros. — Amsterdam 1c ordinaries ('27 issue) are circulating now. — Wm. McFarlan sends the ½c Dowington Pres. in U-121. — The '27 issue Los Angeles 2c coils in B-13 are much more in circulation now. The boys tried hard to make this a tough one, but there were too many on hand at the office for them to handle. — ½c nor. and inv. and 1c nor. Pres. from Hempstead, N. Y., in U-14; 2c Kings Park Pres. in U-121 inv. — The ESPEC official Bulletin of the Southern Calif. Precancel Club contained an article on the profusion of Presidential precancels from Calif. and tried to explain it away. We mentioned this long ago. — In a couple weeks you will note other papers listing the 1c Wilmington Pres. buro.

## NEVADA

I like 'em tough—that's why I picked Nevada. Many a denomination collector has had a headache trying to complete this one. To my knowledge, only eleven towns have issued precancels. There would be twelve towns, but the P. M. at Ely wore out his killer and thereby lost out. There are twenty-one types listed in the 16th Edition, Part 2. I can add the following six:

Boulder City, U-127.

Carson City, U-121.

Las Vegas, Mimeo, typewriter caps and lower case between lines.

Reno, similar to U-70. This was used at about the same time as Type 4 and was confused with it. Check over your type 4's and send any for listing. Main differences are lines farther apart; more space between RENO and NEV.; comma after RENO.

Sparks, U-122.

Winnemucca, U-121.

By Dr. Hollis Snell, Loyalton, California  
—Midwest Precancel News.

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With the thought that they would be good publicity for their summer resort business, inhabitants of the Isle of Man off the English coast are pressing for an issue of stamps for the island. That some are confident of the outcome was shown by the person in New South Wales who remitted ten shillings to pay for a set of the stamps when (and if) they are issued. The *Philatelic Magazine* reports that a session of the Island's House approved a motion to continue application for such an issue, though previous requests have met with direct refusals.

A Canadian postal clerk was recently sentenced to three years for stealing letters. Mayhap the stamps were too attractive to resist.

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## U. S. NOTES

The recently discovered 1c design of 1912 from a rotary press endwise coil printing, perforated eleven all around, is now listed in the 1938 advance sheets as No. 544B but is not priced. This stamp is rare, but as additional copies are being found, value cannot be determined. Writing in *Gossip* of Sept. 3, E. F. Hartwell says the catalog measurement (23 mm.) given for the height of this stamp is incorrect and that searchers for it may pass by the rarity as none were found to measure that much. He recommends the use of a steel tool-maker's rule, graduated in thousandths of an inch. By measuring 200 copies of endwise coils of the period, he found the average height was .8845, while they ranged from .881 to .890. 23 millimetres equals .9055. The perf. 11 endwise coil waste stamp of the 1922 design is not listed as yet.

What is the value of a 3c Jefferson on cover postmarked two days before the first day of sale at Washington? This question was asked by a reader who possesses such a cover. It is not unusual to run across such covers, but we have never heard of any selling readily or for much more than a normal first day. The Post Office Dept. in its official announcements of new stamps warns postal clerks under no circumstances to sell any new stamps until the day after the authorized first day sale at the city chosen, and all packages and shipments of stamps sent out in advance of the first day are plainly marked with such

instructions. This makes it difficult to believe any postal clerk could be so ignorant as to sell the stamps before the first day without knowing he should not do so. Instances of back-dating, though this is expressly forbidden under any circumstances, are known. Some of the pre-first day covers are the result of collectors prevailing upon a clerk to sell the stamps, both knowing this should not be done, but the clerk overlooking his orders because he can't see that it makes any difference, and after all it doesn't hurt postal revenues. The highest we've seen such covers sell for was a dollar and then the cover was really an error and not manufactured for collectors. To our way of thinking pre-first day covers would have to be proven real errors to be of any value.

Probably the most surprising instructions issued to postal employees in connection with philatelic matters was the order of Third Asst. P. M. General Black dated Sept. 15 stating that employees receiving in transit or at offices of address unsealed registered covers which are obviously philatelic first day covers should not seal such covers nor mark them with the rubberstamp reading "Received unsealed" as required by postal regulations. He further orders that clerks are not to report such unsealed registered envelopes as irregularities. This represents the farthest the Department has gone in suspending rules of long standing to please collectors. We have noted criticism already of the manner in which first day covers of the \$1 stamp were returned under cover, but on checking we find that this was due to the complainant failing to follow the clearly expressed instructions. Collectors would do well to read carefully all announcements and follow them, saving both themselves and others difficulty in trying later to correct matters. Repeated notices of the post office indicate that many collectors insist on preparing, sending and remitting improperly for covers and stamps.

When the \$1 Wilson went on sale the first day, exactly five customers were on hand to buy the stamps when the Philatelic Agency opened its windows.

A specimen of the 1c envelope of 1874-86 issue was reported in 1899 as having 22 impressions of the stamp on face of envelope.

A set of Graf Zeppelins of 1930 in complete sheets was offered for \$1700 in a recent Mint Sheet Brokerage list.

Dr. Jay F. Miller in the *American Philatelist* says Guam Guard Mail stamps with overprint misspelled "Mial" and "Graud" were not used postally at any time. These are Nos. 207a and 207b in Scott's Specialized.

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municate with Mr. Abelow. Hiler's last  
address was London, England, and is  
reported as having left in June for Hol-  
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reported to have mailed many thousands  
of Coronation covers in British Colonies  
last year.

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from Tampa has been cancelled due to  
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rize this as a mail carrying flight, so  
no more covers should be sent the  
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## AN AMAZING SITUATION

The biggest news of the stamp world of the  
past year has been the recent arrest of a New  
York man and his wife for the alleged theft of  
what is said to be \$100,000 worth of stamps  
from the firm of Stanley Gibbons, Inc., of  
New York.

Elsewhere in this issue you will find some  
other information on this matter, but here it  
is going to be my object to point out some of  
the matters that are of more vital interest to  
the stamp collecting fraternity.

Francis Gruelich and his wife Anna Gruelich  
were both employees of Stanley Gibbons,  
Inc. The wife had been employed for several  
years, she finally persuaded the firm to employ  
her husband. He was given work and altho  
he had never been a stamp collector prior  
to that time, he soon accumulated a lot of  
stamp knowledge, started a collection and then  
was tempted by the possibilities of profit from  
dealing. He wanted to do things on a big  
scale. He quit his job, opened offices under  
several different names, the one under which  
he did the most of his business was that of  
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Under this name Gruelich issued an excellent  
looking little house organ called the Collectors  
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class. From the issue dated "Summer 1938,"  
we reprint the following matter which shows  
the irony of the entire situation. Imagine if  
you can, a man enmeshed in such a systematic  
series of thefts as this man, and his making  
printed remarks as contained in this clipping  
from his own house organ.

"In the September issue of the Cosmopolitan  
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how they are worked. It is complimentary to  
the stamp dealing fraternity, that they did not  
include certain phases of "stamp dealing." And,  
most certainly, the stamp business has at times  
by a few, been played as a racket. The col-  
lector who has never been stuck in his life  
is a lucky one, but today with the excellent  
work of the various publishers, the number of  
collectors who have been literally swindled each  
year is fact decreasing. Publishers are doing all

in their power to protect their readers, but it  
is impossible to be 100% perfect.

If you have the faintest doubt in your mind  
about the reliability of a certain dealer who has  
stamps that you want, there is one solution.  
... ask for the stamps on approval. If your  
own credit is good, and you can supply suit-  
able references, any reliable dealer will send  
you the stamps you want to buy. On the other  
hand, dealers must take like precautions. I  
have repeatedly urged collectors to offer the  
references required, but each month we receive  
requests to fill want lists unaccompanied by  
references, and other dealers undoubtedly do  
too. If you do not trust a dealer to the extent  
of sending cash, you cannot expect him to  
trust you with his stamps—send references,  
but send references of those who can vouch for  
your own reliability."

Does it not seem a bit queer that a man  
could get away with all this stuff directly  
under the noses of all of the dealers of New  
York City. Then on top of such facts, we  
note that Robert E. Diamond has been carry-  
ing advertising extensively in the eastern  
weekly stamp papers. Just the September 19,  
issue of Mekeels contains an announcement of  
his new address at Hyde Park. Perhaps Gruelich  
was a bit hasty in making this announce-  
ment for doubtless the new address will be up  
the river quite a ways from New York City.

In addition to his active advertising cam-  
paign and contacts with New York Dealers,  
Diamond is listed as a member of both the  
American Philatelic Society (13436) and the  
Society of Philatelic Americans (7644). Who  
signed the reference blanks for Diamond in  
both instances? Who passed on these applica-  
tions and accepted this man for membership?

Truly, there is an abundance of carelessness  
evident throughout the career of this modern  
Philatelic Robin Hood.

There is but one way to cope with crooked-  
ness and dishonesty in any business or group  
and that is by definite rules, regulations and  
cooperative action that will eliminate the cul-  
prits at the start. If more were done to catch  
the petty thieves and racketeers in the begin-  
ning, that would go a long ways to discourage  
thought of activity in this direction.

## Change in Postal Officials

Harlee Branch, until recently the  
Second Assistant Postmaster General,  
has accepted the Vice Chairmanship of  
the newly established Civil Aeronautics  
Authority. In his place Postmaster Gen-  
eral Farley has appointed his Executive  
Assistant, Ambrose O'Connell, who en-  
tered the postal service on his appoint-  
ment as Special Asst. to the P. M. Gen-  
eral in 1933. O'Connell is a lawyer and  
has held a number of posts high in the  
Democratic Party. He was born in 1886  
near Ottumwa, Iowa, and is a graduate  
of Notre Dame and Columbia University  
law school, is married and has four  
children. O'Connell takes office October  
1st.

## Foreign "Bid and Ask" List Issued

The first "Bid and Ask" list published  
outside the United States was recently  
inaugurated in London, England, by the  
National Stamp Agency at 11 Queen  
Victoria St. It naturally caters to Brit-  
ish trade but copies may be had on re-  
quest.

## Sources of Designs of October Presidential Issues

The Post Office Department advises  
that portraits on the denominations of  
the new regular series to be issued in  
October are as follows:

14c Pierce, from a medal supplied by  
the U. S. Mint; 15c Buchanan, from a  
statue by Henry Dexter in the National  
Gallery of Art, Washington, D. C.; 16c  
Lincoln, from a bust by Sarah Fisher  
Ames, now in the Senate Gallery; and  
17c Johnson, from a bust by William C.  
McCaullen in the Senate Gallery.

Cachet for Tenth Anniversary of the  
first trans-Atlantic flight of the Graf  
Zeppelin is promised for Oct. 15th by  
Carl Shapiro, 210 Pearl St., Springfield,  
Mass. 1c forwarding asked.

The Canadian Post Office Dept. is  
changing the inscriptions on the covers  
of all varieties of stamp booklets, add-  
ing the quantities, denominations and  
price of stamps in each book. All books  
sell for 25c.



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## STAMPEX At Newark, N. J.

The 1938 STAMPEX (National Stamp Exhibition) sponsored annually by the New Jersey Philatelic Federation will be held at the Mosque Theater Building, Newark, N. J., October 27 to 30 inclusive, under the direction of Henry E. Miller. Awards will be made in 15 major classifications as well as divisions of these. Prospectus forms and entry blanks may be obtained of the Publicity Chairman, Lawrence R. Andersen, 440 E. 24th St., Paterson, N. J.

## Brattleboros Return To City Of Origin

At its Third Annual Exhibition, Sept. 15-16, the Brattleboro Stamp Club of that Vermont city had on display 13 of the less than 30 copies known to exist of the rare Postmaster's Provisional issued there in 1846. Rev. C. C. Silvestre, President of the club says this was more of the stamps on display than at any time since 1846. A. N. Reggio of Boston exhibited a reconstructed sheet of 10 in addition to two other copies of his, and Paul Dorn exhibited his copy, making the exhibit of great interest locally.

## Canal Zone To Commemorate

When President Roosevelt visited the Canal Zone on his recent trip he suggested a set of stamps to commemorate the 25th anniversary, next year, of the opening of the canal to commerce. Canal Zone authorities are already planning a series that may run to twelve values with \$1 as the high value, which will portray scenes of the construction days, etc. The 20th anniversary was celebrated in 1934 by a single stamp of 3c denomination portraying General Goethals. While at the Zone, the President of Panama presented President Roosevelt with a collection of Panama stamps. The *New York Times* also mentions a possible set commemorating the 10th anniversary of Lindbergh's flight to the zone on Feb. 6, 1929, inaugurating the first section of the international air mail service to all the Latin-American countries and colonies.

The 1938 edition of the Year Book of the Oklahoma Philatelic Society lists nearly 900 members, with 165 applications on hand at time of publication. A drive is now on for 1200 new members before publication of the 1939 edition in March.

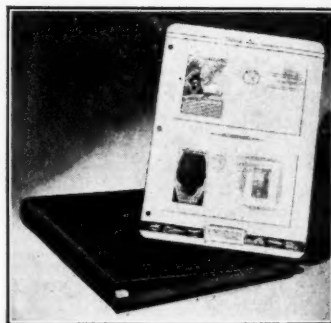
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